

<b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
	09/497,269	YU ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>	
	BJ Forman	1634	

**All Participants:**

(1) BJ Forman.

(2) Bret Field.

**Status of Application:** \_\_\_\_\_

(3) \_\_\_\_\_.

(4) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Date of Interview:** 1 July 2003

**Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Interview:**

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

**Part I.**

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

1, 6, 8, 10, 12

Prior art documents discussed:

**Part II.**

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

*See Continuation Sheet*

**Part III.**

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

  
(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The examiner suggested amendments to place the claims in condition for allowance. The examiner stated that Applicant's arguments regarding the homogenous solution surface layer would be convincing if the independent claims were amended to recite the definition of homogenous provided in the specification. The examiner stated that Webster's Dictionary defines homogenous as a uniform composition which encompasses a mixture of two or more substances that are mixed to provide a homogenous solution. This definition of homogenous encompasses the cited art. However, the specification teaches that the instant homogenous surface is defined by all self-assembling molecule being identical. The examiner stated that adding this language to the independent claims would overcome the mixtures taught in the cited prior art. Mr. Field agreed with the examiner and accepted the additional limitations. The examiner suggested additional amendments to correct typographical errors e.g. Claim 8, "electrochemical" and Claim 10 "in" and further suggested clarification of Claim 12, step a adding "each" in line 2 after electrodes. Mr. Field agreed to the suggested amendments..